

In this 37 CFR §1.132 declaration, Dr. Holmgren indicates that ABP-1 inherently lacks proteolytic activity. Thus, it is believed that the Peterson et al. reference (J. Biol. Chem., 265(11): 6104-6111 (1990)) cannot be used as an anticipatory reference. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

The Applicants draw the Examiner's attention to the fact that the volume number on the Peterson et al. reference should be 265, and not 205.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Gerald M. Murphy, Jr., (Reg. No. 28,977) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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